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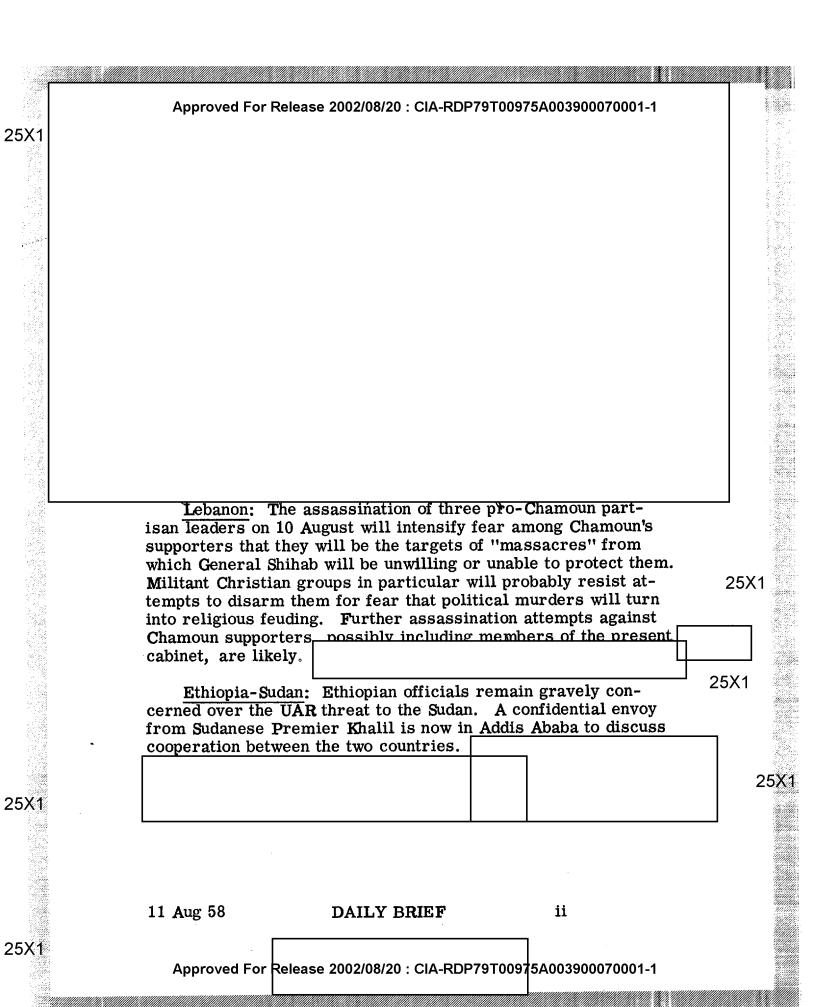
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Ethiopia Promises Assistance to Sudanese Premier Khalil

Ethiopian officials, in discussion with American representatives, have described the situation in the Sudan as grave and called for American understanding and especially financial aid for an Ethiopian program to combat Egyptian subversive efforts. Acting Ethiopian Prime Minister Aklilou reported that an envoy from Sudanese Premier Khalil was in Addis Ababa to discuss means of cooperation between Ethiopia and the Sudan to arrest the growth of UAR influence in Khartoum.

The Ethiopian official's plea for American financial assistance stressed the amount spent by Cairo to subvert the Sudanese Government and armed forces, and he emphasized Ethiopia's inability either to match such subsidizing or to counter Egypt's propaganda campaign among the large Moslem minority of Ethiopia.

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